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CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIVELIHOOD

N.C.C. Conference Opening in Shanghai To-day

The Conference on the "People's Livelihood" which is being convened by the National Christian Council will hold its opening meeting this afternoon at 3 p.m. in the Chinese Y.M.C.A., 201 Szechuen Road. Dr. H. H. King, who is honorary chairman of the Conference will be present to open the Conference. This meeting is for Conference-members only. Those desiring to attend should apply for tickets at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Delegates from the major cities of China have already arrived, and indicate that a wide range of experience will be brought to bear in the discussions. Among those from the North are Professor L. K. Tao of the Social Research Institute of the China Foundation. Under his name there has recently been published what is probably the most soundly based study of the standard of living of workers in Shanghai which has yet appeared. It is based on the family budgets kept daily over a period of a year involving some 250 families: and this, though still too small a number for a scientific sample, is a great achievement under the circumstances. From Peking come also Professor Gireon Chen and Dr. Jefferson Lamb.

From Shantung there comes Mr. W. B. Djang of the Christian Literacy Board, Tsingchow, to participate in the discussions on Workers' Education. From Wuhan and from Szechuan men of experience in social and economic issues have arrived. Mr. Kao, of the Mass Education College of the Kiangsu Provincial Government, will give one of the evening addresses upon the Wusih experiments. Miss Dju Yu Bao, the first industrial welfare worker of scientific training at work in a silk filature in Wusih, has also arrived. Government officials from Nanking and Shanghai, research students, social workers: Mr. C. C. Chang from the statistical section of the Legislative Yuan whose wide experience in rural economics in this country, and others ensure in advance the quality of the discussions.

Professor R. H. Tawney to Speak

Following the opening greeting, Professor R. H. Tawney will speak at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. this afternoon. He has been, during the past three months, been making a study into the agricultural economy of China on behalf of the Institute of Pacific Relations in preparation for the Hangchow conference in October. The address to-day will be upon the [illegible] Morning. The remainder of the conference will confine itself to lectures, papers and discussions based directly upon China material. Details of the daily programmes will be published and any who are interested in participation in any or all of the sessions are invited to communicate with the secretary of the conference, 26 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. Monday's sessions will be held in Room 306, Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

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